

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of)

Mark Simakaski et al.)

Serial No. 10/965,515)

Filed October 14, 2004)

For CHOPPING PUMP
IMPELLER ASSEMBLY)

Group Art Unit 3745

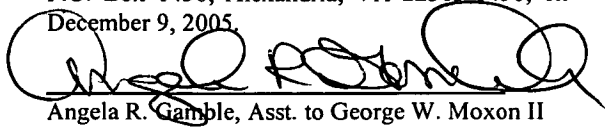
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RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2005, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

In the specification:

Page 1, line 2, delete "Pentair, Inc."

Line 3, delete "TITLE OF THE INVENTION"

Page 7, line 8, --by--should be inserted after "chopped"

Line 20, "37" should be changed to --35--

Line 25, "37" should be changed to --35--.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.